

$$\int_0^t \frac{1}{2} \Sigma_{uT}^2 du = \int_0^t \left(\int_0^T \alpha_{us} ds \right) du$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{uT} = \frac{\partial \Sigma_{uT}}{\partial T},$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \Sigma_{uT}^2 = \int_0^T \alpha_{us} ds$$

$$\Sigma_{uT} \frac{\partial \Sigma_{uT}}{\partial T} = \alpha_{uT}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_{uT} = \sigma_{uT} \Sigma_{uT} = \sigma_{uT} \int_0^T \sigma_{us} ds$$

Remarks: (i) So we see that once the vol. structure σ_{st} for the forward rates is chosen, no arbitrage tells us the drift α .

(ii) This is the main (only?) result in HJM's paper.

(iii) It's relatively easy to build Gaussian examples here, just try taking σ to be deterministic ... ~~but~~ but rates can go negative ...

(iv) If you want a ~~to~~ model where $r_t \geq 0$, it's quite hard to do in this framework.

Interest-rate derivatives

- 1) Caps The idea here is that each time $T_1 < T_2 < \dots < T_n$ you have to make interest payments. The payment at time T_{j+1} is determined by the LIBOR rates at time T_j :

$$B(T_j, T_{j+1}) = \frac{1}{H(T_{j+1} - T_j) L(T_j, T_{j+1})}$$

$$\Rightarrow (T_{j+1} - T_j) L(T_j, T_{j+1}) = \frac{1}{B(T_j, T_{j+1})} - 1$$

A caplet will give you

$$\left((T_{j+1} - T_j) L(T_j, T_{j+1}) - k \right)^+$$

at time T_{j+1} .

The value of the caplet at Time T_j is

$$\begin{aligned} & E_{T_j} \left(e^{-\int_{T_j}^{T_{j+1}} r_s ds} \left((T_{j+1} - T_j) L(T_j, T_{j+1}) - k \right)^+ \right) \\ &= B(T_j, T_{j+1}) \left(\frac{1}{B(T_j, T_{j+1})} - 1 - k \right)^+ \\ &= (1 - (Hk) B(T_j, T_{j+1}))^+ \end{aligned}$$

So the caplet is worth the same as a put option on the ZCB paying at T_{j+1} .

Notice that actually evaluating the time-0 price of this,

$E \left[\exp \left(- \int_0^{T_j} r_s ds \right) (1 - (Hk) B(T_j, T_{j+1}))^+ \right]$
 - these things are not easy to calculate, ...

If you can't do it properly, you fake it, and here we often find Black-Scholes applied... this is ~~not~~ quite unsound but widespread.

$$\rightarrow E[\dots] = E^{T_j} \left[(1 - (Hk) B(T_j, T_{j+1}))^+ \right] B(0, T_j).$$

2) Swaps The idea of a swap is to exchange floating interest payments for fixed.

The fixed leg of this swap pays interest at some fixed rate k at times $T_1 < \dots < T_n$. The values of these payments will be

$$\sum_{j=1}^n k (T_j - T_{j-1}) B(0, T_j)$$

As for the floating payments, you pay

$$L(T_{j-1}, T_j) (T_j - T_{j-1}) \text{ at time } T_j.$$

The ~~at~~ time-0 value of this is $1 - B(0, T_n)$.

This allows us to calculate the par swap rate k , which is the rate which would equalize the values of the two legs:

$$k = \frac{1 - B(0, T_n)}{\sum_{j=1}^n (T_j - T_{j-1}) B(0, T_j)}$$

3) Swaptions: All this is an option to enter into a swap; you have to specify the exercise date T^* , the strike k , and the tenor structure.

$$T^* \equiv T_0 < T_1 < \dots < T_n,$$

What you would get for the time-0 price of this would be

$$E \left[\left(1 - B(T^*, T_n) - k \sum_{j=1}^n (T_j - T_{j-1}) B(T^*, T_j) \right)^+ \exp \left(- \int_0^{T^*} r_s ds \right) \right]$$

- quite a mess ...

Consider this derivative:

Pay quarterly a fixed in USD, receive floating GBP until CHF / EUR > 1.6
(Suppose we're ~~are~~ accounting in USD)

How are we going to do this?

Go back to box, and model only what we need, namely, the state-price density ζ_t ;

We know that

$$\zeta_t = \frac{dQ}{dP} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_t} e^{-\int_0^t r_s ds}$$

$$Y_t = \frac{1}{\zeta_t} E_t[Y \zeta_t]$$

If $r \geq 0$, then Z is a supermartingale, and positive. How could we build a reasonably flexible class of positive supermartingales? Pick some Markov process X_t , and use this as the basis of the modelling effort, and then try to express

$$Z_t = f(X_t) \exp\left(-\int_0^t \alpha(X_s) ds\right)$$

So ~~we~~ when ^{can} we say that this thing is a supermartingale? If X were a BM, we can do Itô:

$$\begin{aligned} dZ &= e^{-\int_0^t \alpha(X_s) ds} \left[-\alpha(X_t) f(X_t) dt + f'(X_t) dX_t + \frac{1}{2} f''(X_t) dt \right] \\ &= d\text{mart} + e^{-\int_0^t \alpha(X_s) ds} \left[\frac{1}{2} f''(X_t) - \alpha(X_t) f(X_t) \right] dt \end{aligned}$$

Provided $\alpha f \geq \frac{1}{2} f''$ and $f \geq 0$, we've got a supermartingale.

⌈ Analogously, if X is a finite-state Markov Chain with jump intensity matrix Q , we get

$$dZ_t = d\text{mart} + [(Qf)(X_t) - \alpha(X_t) f(X_t)] dt$$

(think of f as column vector, $f = \begin{bmatrix} f(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_n) \end{bmatrix}$)

- the reason this is worth considering is that you only ever need to do finite sums to calculate option prices ... \exists

So what we could do is propose a model via

- (i) the Markov process X
 - (ii) the non-negative function α
 - (iii) $g = \alpha f - \frac{1}{2} f'' \geq 0$.
- Choose g , and solve for f .

Given these things, we have a pricing framework.
We also know that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} dZ_t &= dm_{\text{art}} - r_t Z_t dt \\ &= \exp\left(\int_0^t \frac{\alpha f - \frac{1}{2} f''}{f}(X_s) ds\right) (dm_{\text{art}} - (\alpha f - \frac{1}{2} f'')(X_t) dt) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{r_t = \frac{\alpha f - \frac{1}{2} f''}{f}(X_t)}$$

How about multiple currencies?

Suppose S_t^j is a traded asset in currency j ,
let Y_t^{ij} be the exchange rate at time t
from currency j to currency i :

1 unit of currency $j = Y_t^{ij}$ units of currency i .
In country i , we have a state-price density
 S_t^i , such that

$(S_t^i \cdot S_t^j)$ is a martingale.

So asset S^i express in currency j is $Y_t^{ji} S_t^i$,
and this is a currency j traded asset.

So $\sum_t^j Y_t^{ji} S_t^i \equiv \frac{\sum_t^j Y_t^{ji}}{\sum_t^i} (\sum_t^i S_t^i)$ is a martingale.

Thus what we find is that

$\frac{\sum_t^j Y_t^{ji}}{\sum_t^i} \equiv N_t$ is a martingale orthogonal

to all martals of the form $\sum_t^i S_t^i$, and if the market is complete, then N must be constant.

$$Y_t^{ji} = \frac{\sum_t^i}{\sum_t^j} \cdot Y_0^{ji}$$

— in such a framework, adding another currency does not (or does not need to) change the underlying Markov process X_t ; we just have to pick some new α_j, g_j , and we hence can consistently and simultaneously modeled interest rates in many countries and the exchange rates between the currencies.

Re: choosing g and α :

$$f(x) = \mathbb{E}^\pi \left[\int_0^\infty e^{-\int_0^t \alpha(X_s) ds} g(X_t) dt \mid X_0 = x \right]$$

Credit

A simple credit derivative: CDS = credit default swap.

You hold a corporate bond which promises to pay S_i at time T_i , $i=1, \dots, n$

You want ~~to~~ protection ~~&~~ against default, and a CDS gives this.

If τ is the time of default of the corporation, the CDS pays you

$$\sum_{T_j \geq \tau} \delta_j B(\tau, T_j)$$

at τ .

How would we price such a thing?

We need an interest rate model for the bonds, and we also need a model for the default time τ , but we can't assume independence of τ , r_t .

Let's suppose we've got some story for this (you can fit some tale from market data).

How about hedging? The only hedging instrument is a short stock... and this is problematic...

Delta-hedging won't work?

How about more complicated credit derivatives where payoffs depend on default of many entities (CDOs).